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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1892.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

M. R. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received instructions from the Mortgagors to Sell by Public Auction,

TUESDAY,
the 19th April, 1892, at the Premises,
at 1 o'clock p.m.

THE FOLLOWING
VALUABLE LEASOLD PROPERTIES,
Comprising:—Nos. 11 and 13, Upper Lascar Row, and Nos. 14 and 16, Lower Lascar Row, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and situated on Island Lot No. 248, as the same premises are now held for the residue of a term of 999 years from the 10th June, 1843, granted therein, subject to the payment of the Crown Rent payable in respect thereof and the performance of the Crown covenants to be performed in respect thereof and subject also to the existing lettings and tenancies thereof.

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For sale plan further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to

WOTTON & DRACON,
Solicitors for the Vendor,
or to

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

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HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.
HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

POSTPONEMENT OF GENERAL MEETING.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held at the Rooms of the Chamber City Hall, at 1:30 P.M., on FRIDAY, the 1st April, in place of Friday, the 23rd March, previously advertised.

F. HENDERSON,
Secretary.

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HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS are notified that the RANGE will be in use on the Afternoons of the 7th and 8th Inst. by the Committees of the Army and Navy Rifle Meeting.

Tuesday Afternoons until the Easter Meeting are reserved, from 3 p.m., for Practice at 800 and 100 yards.

COMPETITION for Mr. Sesson's CUP and SPOONS on SATURDAY, the 9th instant, Ranges, 200 and 300 yards. Time, 3 p.m.

ED. ROBINSON,
Hon. Secretary.

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AMATEUR BOXING COMPETITION.

A BOXING COMPETITION for AMATEURS will take place on SATURDAY, 21st April, 1892, when TWO SPLENDID SILVER CUPS will be given for Light-weights, not exceeding stone, and Heavy or Catch-weight respectively.

These competitions will be open to Soldiers, Sailors, and Civilians of all Nationalities. KENSURRY RULES will be strictly adhered to.

Intending competitors will oblige by sending in their entries as early as possible, addressed to "CORINTHIAN," care of the Hongkong Telegraph Office, enclosing fee of \$1.00, which will be returned if entry is not accepted.

Time and place of competition will be duly announced, and Cups will be on exhibition shortly.

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IN THE COLONIAL COURT OF ADMIRALTY OF HONGKONG.
Suit No. 3 of 1892.

THE HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED, Plaintiffs.

Against The S.S. "TORRINGTON."

THE Undersigned will (pursuant to a commission for sale issued herein) Sell by Public Auction,

MONDAY,

the 2nd day of May, 1892, at 12 o'clock, Noon, on board the vessel (unless previously sold by private treaty)

The Iron Screw Steamship "TORRINGTON,"

gross tonnage 2,098, net register tonnage 1,563, as she now lies abeam in Hongkong harbour, and without Cargo, Coal, and Stores.

The vessel was built by Messrs. RAYLTON & DIXON, at Middlesborough, in 1875, and classed 100 At Lloyd's.

Length 206 feet 2 inches, breadth 36 feet 2 inches, depth 25 feet 6 inches. Is fitted with one double cylinder engine of 220 h.p. nominal, 300 h.p. effective, built by Messrs. RICHARDSON & SONS in 1874; diameter of cylinders h.p. 38"; l.p. 73"; stroke of piston 16".

Two cylindrical multitubular iron boilers built by RICHARDSON of Liverpool in 1875. Working pressure 12 lbs. Retained in 1887.

The engines and boilers were put in thorough repair and passed survey in Hongkong in February, 1892.

She has a collision bulkhead, and 5 watertight compartments.

Total deadweight capacity, 2,000 tons, say Rice or Coal 2,300 tons.

Accommodation for 40 First Class and 20 Second Class passengers.

Donkey boiler and winches new 1886. She is fitted with steam steering gear, and has electric wires throughout, also condenser for fresh water.

F. A. HAZELAND,
Manager,

Colonial Court of Admiralty of Hongkong.

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THE Company's Steamship

"F. M. GOURDIN,"

Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports, TOMORROW, the 7th inst., at Daylight.

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General Managers.

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"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"LENNOX,"

Captain will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 8th instant.

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Agents.

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"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, LONDON,

HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"CARMARTHENSHIRE,"

Captain Clark, will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 12th inst., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Agents.

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"BRECONSHIRE,"

Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 15th instant.

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"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

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&c. &c.

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "KREMLIN"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

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THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks' and Shipping Offices. The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. THE TABLE D'HOITE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the *cuisines* being under experienced supervision.

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NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER,
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C Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule	14	1.25	
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SHERRIES.

	Per doz.	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule	12	1.10	0.60
B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule	12	1.10	0.75
C Manzanilla, Pale, Natural Sherry, White Capsule	10	1.00	
CC Superior Old Dry Pale, Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule	10	1.10	
D Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old Wine, White Seal Capsule	12	1.10	

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Fine Old Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule

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U Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule

V Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule

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Good Leeward Island, \$1.50 per Gallon

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

ESTABLISHED AD. 1841,

Hongkong, 4th February, 1892.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1892.

THE STEAM-LAUNCH GRIEVANCE.

Governor Sir W. Robinson's reply to the deputation of residents—owners of so-called private steam-launches and cargo-boats—who interviewed his Excellency on March 28th, is a practical admission that *The Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance*, 1891, has proved in many important essentials a cumbersome and generally useless piece of legislation which is neither in keeping with the times in which we live nor with the commercial requirements of this port. When first brought before the Legislative Council last year a number of its sections were vigorously opposed by Mr. T. H. Whitehead, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, and the late Mr. P. Rydz; but it was, as in the case of the Gambling and Opium Ordinances, forced into law by the sheer weight of the "Official Phalanx," composed of persons who had but little experience of shipping matters, and who simply voted as they were told. We believe that Mr. Hastings, the Acting Harbour Master, is the "official" directly responsible for drafting the technical portions of the Ordinance which have given rise to so much irritation and opposition in shipping circles, and we are certainly bound to say that anything more ridiculous, short-sighted and uncalled-for than the various restrictions placed on the large fleet of steam-launches employed in actively assisting the commerce of the port, can scarcely be conceived. The man, whoever he was, who drafted this blot on local legislation, knows very little about the trade of Hongkong, and he knows still less about shipbuilding—at all events so far as the necessary surveys of steam-launches are concerned.

As already stated in these columns, we could not see our way to support the deputation of launch-owners who wanted one set of regulations for their trading vessels and quite another for Chinese and other launches plying for hire. We then pointed out that there was no material difference whatever between launches used for carrying mails and passengers board steamers, or transporting workmen from the docks to vessels in harbour, and launches carrying passengers to Kowloon and elsewhere. If the rigid surveys provided by ordinance had to be carried out, there was certainly no room for any class distinctions, and it was on this point that Mr. Edwin Mackintosh, who was chief spokesman for the "private" launch owners, made such a feeble case. He actually stated that the deputation "thought the whole of the provisions of Section 7 of the ordinance were quite proper and entirely right in the interests of the public if only applied to such launches and boats as ply for hire; but when they affected what the deputation maintained was private property, it was going beyond what was necessary." This was bare-faced special pleading for the interests of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire and some others of the same stamp, and with any fairly intelligent and independent Government could only have tended to injure the cause that was being advocated; and further, other very doubtful expedients were used to convince the Governor, which to say the least, ought to have been accompanied by far more detailed explanations than were given. However in this connection, it is but fair to point out that as regards the estimated cost of surveying a steam-launch, the provisions of the Ordinance and the extraordinary notions of the Acting Government Marine Surveyor must be held mainly responsible. It is important to show this clearly. Sub-section 21 of section 7 of the Ordinance provides that all steam-ships under 60 tons, not holding passenger certificates, must undergo a yearly survey of hull and machinery and comply with the requirements of the Government Marine Surveyor before again using such ships; and the two following sections make the owner, master, or person in charge of any steam-launch under 60 tons that is used without certificates of survey, or without complying with the requirements of the Government Marine Surveyor, liable to a fine of \$500, or the alternative of six months imprisonment, with or without hard labour. Mr. H. H. Jones, local superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co., informed us that the steamship *Revenna*, with the next English mail, left Singapore for this port at 1 p.m. yesterday.

SOME more influential Chinese compradores of banks and millionaire firms are reported as under a cloud and very likely to be soon numbered with the missing. We shall see!

A REGULAR Convocation of Victoria Chapter, No. 525, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Wednesday, the 17th instant, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock, precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

OUR Burma contemporaries predict unusually large rice crops throughout the province during the current year, which will go far towards making good the losses involved by merchants of all classes consequent on the long-continued drought.

HASTHORN'S Circus opens to-night, and there is no question about its excellence. We have seen some samples of what this Company has in it, and can assure our readers that it is a genuine show, well up to representations. In the words of the poet, this is a circus.

IT is reported that amongst Melville's victims must be numbered one of the oldest master mariners connected with the trade of Hongkong; who has been awarded out of \$17,000 by the foreign adventurer. Now, where is Consul Melville? Something rotten in the state of Denmark, eh?

THE Band of the 1st Shropshire Regt. will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess this evening, commencing at 7.30 p.m.—

Owner—Upper Flute Murphy
Pianist—Piano of Music Murphy
Percussion—Drums Murphy
Violins—Violins Murphy
Etc.—Bassoon Murphy

Etc.—Cello Murphy
Etc.—Double Bass Murphy

On the 28th ulto, a number of time-expired men of the French naval squadron at Saigon were being embarked on the transport *La Morbihan* homeward bound, when one of the turn, in his enthusiasm standing on the top of the deck awning, waving the national flag, and shouting at the top of his voice, fell into the water and was carried away by the current—or the alligator.

GEORGE R. Sims has been having a slant at the idiot who put money into the missionary business.

A woman dying, starved, cold, unknown; Crying for bread outside a workhouse gate; Crying for bread she gets—ah, what a stone! A stone, to die on, at the workhouse gate.

Over the sea-swept English gold— To clothe the savage, feed the lazy Turk! Here lie our sisters, hungering in the cold— To feed the English is not England's work.

Out on the Poor Law ship!—the heartless jest That makes a mock of West's despatching! That in the cloak of Charity sits death!

And loath the rich and leaves the poor to die; Of England, blith! And now for very shame, Strike at this system, rotten to the core, Until you do your duty above the blight!

And each starved pauper dies at England's door.

Then when the pauper comes to put in by these rules, the safety valves will be loaded according to the command of godsend-ministers.

If the boiler has not been taken out of the launch during the last 3 years, then it must be fitted for inspection of bottom and the hull underneath examined.

Fire-bars to be taken out of furnace, bridges down, safety valves taken off (and fitted to Government requirements), lagging to be taken away when necessary and boiler to be tested by hydraulic pressure.

Cylinders to be opened out, valve casting doors taken off, main bearings and crank-pins opened up and pumps taken off and steam-pipes to be tested by hydraulic pressure.

I would mention this will be an annual survey for private launches instead of six months which are granted to launches carrying passengers.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

(Sd) ROBERT C. DIXON,

Act. Govt. Marine Surveyor.

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way of ascension. They are allowing the means of a splendid revenue to slip from their hands, and are running through their substance with the greatest indifference. The forests of Upper-Siam will afford magnificent returns to Government for years to come if only the most elementary steps are taken to preserve them. At present everything is left to nature, and nature fails to make up the deficit in the teak forests. No one is more to blame for the present unsatisfactory state of the forest lands of Siam than the ordinary Siamese or Laotian, who, through ignorance or indifference, is a constant danger to young timber. Teak is easy to work and the easy-going native seldom hesitates to make use of young saplings when he requires wood for his hut, or fencing for his cattle. He is most reckless in his destruction of young timber, and considering that the authorities take no steps to stop these practices matters will yearly become worse. Fires, too, make yearly inroads on the teak forest, and all causes combined are working sad havoc with one of the great national resources of Siam.

If we are to believe experts no better timber is to be found than grown in the vast forests of northern Siam, but nowhere is to be found more wanton destruction and less thought for a time when the supply must necessarily cease if the present carelessness be permitted to continue. The Siamese authorities have inaugurated an embryo Mining Bureau which, if well conducted, ought to lead to splendid results, and open up the mineral wealth of the country on sound business principles, putting an end to wild speculations of past years; but why neglect an equally important source of national wealth?

The appointment of a few Europeans skilled in forestry would confer a boon on the country, and result in a large and ever increasing revenue to his Majesty's Treasury. Some scheme for the better administration of the forest lands of Siam has been a long felt want and any further delay will be disastrous in its effects, and prove the Siamese very indifferent to the best interests of their country.

NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.

The Viceroy of Nanking has sent a special police deputi, named Chu, to Shanghai to watch for any *Kelao-hui* men who may be at that port.

Three pirates were captured the other day, off the coast of Tsinan, near Ningpo, by a Chinese gunboat. The captives are now undergoing trial.

News recently received from the North says that Admiral Ting of the Pei-yang Squadron will shortly pay a visit to Japan, and subsequently come down to Shanghai.

A large fire took place in Foochow on the 18th March, rendering scores of families homeless and destitute. A Chinese bank had the misfortune to be burnt, in consequence of which the notes previously issued by this bank have no longer any circulation.

A young woman fell from the third storey verandah of the Shanghai Cotton Mill, the other day, and died from her injuries soon afterwards. The wretches of the villages around attribute the accident to a ghost wearing a red garment, who, they say, pushed the young woman over the railing.

Since Li Hung was committed for trial, the authorities, in the Yangtze valley, have been unusually vigilant in their endeavours to capture the *Kelao-hui* people. Two more leaders of that society have been arrested and taken to Nanking. They are reported to have served Li Hung some years ago. The capture took place only a few days ago.

On the first day of last moon two more men, supposed to be members of the *Kelao-hui*, were captured at Nanking by the officials, and were ordered to be tried by the Kiasung Prefect, Li. The case was heard *in camera*, so nothing has yet been learned of the facts, but it is rumoured that the two prisoners were formerly servants of Li Hung.

Kung, the ex-Taoul of Shanghai, now the Provincial Treasurer of Szechuan, has had an audience with the Emperor, in which, according to gossip in official circles, he was most graciously received by his Majesty, who instructed him to proceed to his post with the greatest speed and do his best to govern the people under his control.

An enormous fish was seen a few miles east of Ningpo the other day, measuring over ninety feet in length. The villagers were afraid to approach the sea monster at first, but finding it was motionless, a crowd of people assembled with knives and axes and began to slice pieces of meat from its lifeless body. A large amount of oil was extracted from the flesh, they thus obtained, but as the people did not know the use of this oil, it was afterwards thrown away. The "fish" was entirely without scales. "Very like a whale,"—Trans.]

The *Kelao-hui* leader, Wang Kin-lung, after having been repeatedly tried, was convicted and executed on the 23rd March at Nanking. Upon being escorted to the execution ground, this formidable leader of the *Kelao-hui* lost all his former courage and betrayed plainly signs of weakness, howling all the time, *ching tien ching han*, (Before heaven, I am innocent). Aside from his clandestine connection with the *Kelao-hui*, which fact alone would render him punishable by death, this man, the genius of that society, had committed other crimes equally deserving of the punishment he received. His head is now exposed at Nanking for the benefit of his associates.

A visitor to Ichang states that a serious affray took place at Kinchow a short time ago between the Chinese and Manchus, stalemated there. While some theatrical performances were being enacted in a temple, a number of Manchus, not being satisfied with seeing the play from below, forced their way through the crowd to get on the stage. The actors remonstrated with them and a quarrel ensued which soon led to a rough-and-tumble fight. Being out-numbered, the Manchus were badly beaten and went away. But they soon reappeared on the scene, in greater force, and all armed with weapons. In the encounter which followed a number of Chinese and Manchus were killed, and it was not until the Taoul's appearance on the scene that the fight terminated.

News from Tientsin announces that, an engagement had taken place between the rebels and a small detachment of the Imperial troops under Colonel Ling on the 13th inst., in which two of the soldiers were killed and Colonel Ling came near being shot by the rebels. Owing to their inferiority in numbers, the Imperial troops had to retire from the fight, to wait for reinforcements, which soon arrived. Upon resuming the engagement seven rebels were captured, and on the following day, when fighting was resumed, the second son of Tan Yen-tse, and another chief, wearing a yellow coat, were taken prisoners together with 60 others; a number of rebels being

killed or wounded at the same time. Including the number taken by the volunteers, 200 rebels have been made captives. Tan Yen-tse is now the only chief at the head of the 200 remaining rebels, who are making a desperate resistance. Troops have, however, been despatched to enforce their surrender, and no doubt their total defeat is near at hand.

The *Hupao*'s correspondent at Wuchang writes that last year a certain retired mandarin with the rank of expectant Taou-tai was publishing scurrilous pamphlets calumniating the Western religions. The various representative bodies have obtained these pamphlets and have caused them to reach the notice of the Throne through the Tsungli Yamén. In the latter part of last Chinese moon an Imperial edict was issued enjoining the Tsungli Yamén to distribute copies of these books to the Governors and Governors-General of the various provinces, that they may have them reproduced and deposited in the archives of the *yamen* of the districts and sub-districts for record and for reference, that any person publishing this kind of incendiary pamphlets shall be punished by the law against fabricating groundless and incendiary reports to incite and mislead the people. H. E. Chang Chin-tung has received the books and has, according to the decree, ordered the Imperial instructions to be carried out. No doubt from this time forth "the people and the religion will be safe."

Fires, too, make yearly inroads on the teak forest, and all causes combined are working sad havoc with one of the great national resources of Siam.

If we are to believe experts no better timber is

to be found than grown in the vast forests of northern Siam, but nowhere is to be found more

wanton destruction and less thought for a time

when the supply must necessarily cease if the

present carelessness be permitted to continue.

The Siamese authorities have inaugurated an

embryo Mining Bureau which, if well conducted,

ought to lead to splendid results, and open up

the mineral wealth of the country on sound

business principles, putting an end to wild

speculations of past years; but why neglect an

equally important source of national wealth?

The appointment of a few Europeans skilled in

forestry would confer a boon on the country,

and result in a large and ever increasing revenue

to his Majesty's Treasury. Some scheme for

the better administration of the forest lands of

Siam has been a long felt want and any further

delay will be disastrous in its effects, and prove

the Siamese very indifferent to the best interests

of their country.

Notes from Chinese Papers.

The Viceroy of Nanking has sent a special

police deputi, named Chu, to Shanghai to watch

for any *Kelao-hui* men who may be at that port.

Three pirates were captured the other day, off

the coast of Tsinan, near Ningpo, by a Chinese

gunboat. The captives are now undergoing

trial.

News recently received from the North says

that Admiral Ting of the Pei-yang Squadron will

shortly pay a visit to Japan, and subsequently

come down to Shanghai.

A large fire took place in Foochow on the 18th

March, rendering scores of families homeless

and destitute. A Chinese bank had the misfortune

to be burnt, in consequence of which the notes

previously issued by this bank have no longer

any circulation.

A young woman fell from the third storey

verandah of the Shanghai Cotton Mill, the other

day, and died from her injuries soon afterwards.

The wretches of the villages around attribute

the accident to a ghost wearing a red garment,

who, they say, pushed the young woman over

the railing.

Since Li Hung was committed for trial, the

authorities, in the Yangtze valley, have been

unusually vigilant in their endeavours to capture

the *Kelao-hui* people. Two more leaders of

that society have been arrested and taken to

Nanking. They are reported to have served Li

Hung some years ago. The capture took place

only a few days ago.

On the first day of last moon two more men,

supposed to be members of the *Kelao-hui*, were

captured at Nanking by the officials, and were

ordered to be tried by the Kiasung Prefect,

Li. The case was heard *in camera*, so nothing

has yet been learned of the facts, but it is rumoured

that the two prisoners were formerly

servants of Li Hung.

Kung, the ex-Taoul of Shanghai, now the

Provincial Treasurer of Szechuan, has had an

audience with the Emperor, in which, according

to gossip in official circles, he was most

graciously received by his Majesty, who instructed

him to proceed to his post with the greatest

speed and do his best to govern the people under

his control.

An enormous fish was seen a few miles east of

Ningpo the other day, measuring over ninety

feet in length. The villagers were afraid to

approach the sea monster at first, but finding

it was motionless, a crowd of people assembled

with knives and axes and began to slice pieces

of meat from its lifeless body. A large amount

of oil was extracted from the flesh, they thus

obtained, but as the people did not know the

use of this oil, it was afterwards thrown away.

The "fish" was entirely without scales. "Very

like a whale,"—Trans.]

The *Kelao-hui* leader, Wang Kin-lung, after

having been repeatedly tried, was convicted and

executed on the 23rd March at Nanking. Upon

being escorted to the execution ground, this

formidable leader of the *Kelao-hui* lost all

his former courage and betrayed plainly signs

of weakness, howling all the time, *ching tien*

ching han, (Before heaven, I am innocent).

Aside from his clandestine connection with the

Kelao-hui, which fact alone would render him

punishable by death, this man, the genius of that

society, had committed other crimes equally deserving

of the punishment he received. His head is

now exposed at Nanking for the benefit of his

associates.

A visitor to Ichang states that a serious affray

took place at Kinchow a short time ago

between the Chinese and Manchus, stalemated

there. While some theatrical performances were

being enacted in a temple, a number of Manchus,

not being satisfied with seeing the play from

below, forced their way through the crowd to get

on the stage. The actors remonstrated with

them and a quarrel ensued which soon led to a

rough-and-tumble fight. Being out-numbered,

the Manchus were badly beaten and went away.

But they soon reappeared on the scene, in greater

force, and all armed with weapons. In the

encounter which followed a number of Chinese

and Manchus were killed, and it was not until

the Taoul's appearance on the scene that the

fight terminated.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1892.

Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—120 per cent premium buyers.

The National Bank of China, Ltd.—On £5,000 paid up—26 per cent. dit. sellers.

The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' share, \$200 per share, buyers.

The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—\$3 per share, buyers.

The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—Founders' share, 50c per share, sellers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—21 per cent. premium, sellers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—2 per cent. premium, buyers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—14 per cent. premium.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$80 per share, sellers.

China Traders' Insurance Company—\$61 per share, buyers.

North China Insurance—Tls. 255 per share, sellers.

Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$102 per share, sellers.

Yangtse Insurance Association—\$108, nominal.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$282 per share, sellers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$84 per share, sellers.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$134 per share, sellers.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—274 per cent. discount, sellers.

Douglas Steamship Company—\$36 per share, buyers.

The Steam Launch Co.—Limited—nominal.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$78 per cent. premium, buyers.

Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$17 per share, ex div. buyers.

Hongkong Hotel Company—\$50 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.

The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$7 per share, sellers.

The Pak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—nominal.

The Shameen Hotel Co., Limited—\$10, sellers.

Pun-jom and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$1 per share, sellers.

The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—55 cents per share, buyers.

Imuris Mining Co., Limited—\$44 per share, sellers.

The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, nominal.

Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—\$275 per share, buyers.

The Jeju Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$6 per share, sellers.

The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited—20 cents per share, buyers.

London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$8, sellers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$10 per share, buyers.

Luson Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$40 per share, nominal.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$18 per share, sellers.

Cruckshank & Co., Limited—\$18 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Dairy Farm, Ltd.—\$5 per share, buyers.

The Kinloch Land Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$6 per share, sellers.

The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$22 per share, sellers.

The Laibau Planting Co., Limited—\$2 per share, sellers.

The China-Borneo Co., Limited—nominal.

H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$33 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$52 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$105 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Gas Company—\$120 per share, nominal.

Hongkong Ice Company—\$71 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$65 per share, nominal.

The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$30 per share, sellers.

ARRIVALS.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

5th April, 1892.—At 4 p.m.

STATION.	Barometer in mm.	Wind Force	Wind Dir.	Temp. in °C.	Humidity	Press. in mm.	Wet bulb Temp. in °C.	Dew Point in °C.
Whampoa	1010.4	1	N.E.	25	80	760.4	24.5	21.5
Tokio	1010.4	1	N.E.	25	80	760.4	24.5	21.5
Nagasaki	1010.5	1	E.S.E.	25	80	760.5	24.5	21.5
Shanghai	1010.2	1	S.E.E.	25	80	760.2	24.5	21.5
Amoy	1009.8	1	S.E.E.	25	80	760.8	24.5	21.5
Azing	1009.5	1	S.E.E.	25	80	760.5	24.5	21.5
Swatow	1009.2	1	S.E.E.	25	80	760.2	24.5	21.5
Victoria Peak	1009.0	1	S.E.E.	25	80	760.0	24.5	21.5
Canton	1008.9	1	S.E.E.	25	80	760.9	24.5	21.5
Hankow	1008.8	1	S.E.E.	25	80	760.8	24.5	21.5
Hai-phong	1008.7	1	S.E.E.	25	80	760.7	24.5	21.5
Boluo	1008.6	1	S.E.E.	25	80	760.6	24.5	21.5
Cape St. James	1008.5	1	S.E.E.	25	80	760.5	24.5	21.5

For Swatow and Dell—Per *Thickstone* tomorrow, the 7th instant, at 1:30 P.M.
For Amoy and Manila—Per *Sang Hong* tomorrow, the 7th instant, at 3:30 P.M.
For Chafao and Newchwang—Per *Amoy* tomorrow, the 7th instant, at 4:30 P.M.
For Kobe—Per *Diamond* tomorrow, the 7th instant, at 5:00 P.M.
For Amoy and Manila—Per *Dos Ymas* on Friday, the 8th instant, at 3:30 P.M.
For Straits and Bombay—Per *Blagoe* on Saturday, the 9th instant, at 11:30 A.M.
For Europe, etc., India via Bombay—Per *Melville* on Thursday, the 14th instant, at 11 A.M.
For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama—Per *Acceso* on Friday, the 15th instant, at 9 A.M.
For Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Empress of China* on Saturday, the 16th instant, at 11:30 A.M.
For Yokohama, Honolulu, and San Francisco—Per *City of Peking* on Saturday, the 16th instant, at 3:00 P.M.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British contract packet *Melville* will be despatched on Thursday, the 14th instant, with mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond via *Brindisi* to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands Indies, Burma, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States mail packet *City of Peking*, will be despatched on Saturday, the 16th instant, with mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru &c., which will be closed as follows:—

4:35 P.M. Register ceases.

4:30 P.M. Post Office closes, but correspondence may be posted on board the packet with late fee of 10 cents extra postage until the time of departure.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ravena*, with the English of the 11th ultimo, will arrive on the 1st instant at 1 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 10th instant.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Meunieries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Melville*, with the French mail of the 11th ultimo, left Saigon on the 3rd instant, and may be expected here on or about the 10th instant.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peking*, with the American mail of the 11th ultimo, left Yokohama on the 9th instant at 6 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 10th.

The D. R. steamer *Polyphyma*, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 1st instant, and may be expected here on the 12th instant.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Lombardy* left Bombay on the 30th ultimo, and may be expected here on the 17th instant.

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Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

SIAM, British steamer, 901; J. M. Tulloch, 1st April—Saigon 31st March, Rice—Widener & Co.

SINGAPORE, British steamer, 1,040; R. C. Bradley, 1st April—Fusay 20th March; Coal—Gibb Livingston & Co.

AMOK, German steamer, 771; Kreidner, 1st April—Saigon 31st March, Rice—Widener & Co.

AKA, Danish steamer, 682; Revadeck, 4th April—Hai-phong 31st March, and Holloway 3rd April; General—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

AVOCET, British steamer, 1,016; T. Rowlinson, 1st April—Fusay 20th March; Coal—Jardine Matheson & Co.

BENTLAWES, British steamer, 1,523; A. Webster, 3rd April—Nagasaki 25th March; General—Gibb Livingston & Co.

BRITANNIA, British steamer, 1,523; R. Farquhar, 4th April—Saigon 30th March; Rice—Gibb Livingston & Co.

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CHOW-SAN, British steamer, 1,047; R. C. Bradley, 1st April—Calcutta 20th March; Penang 26th, and Singapore 26th, Opium and General—Jardine Matheson & Co.

DIAMANTE, British steamer, 914; J. C. Gerhard, 3rd April—Manila 5th February, General—Shewan & Co.

DONALD, German steamer, 1,015; R. Grundmann, 1st March—Bangkok 23rd March, Rice—Widener & Co.

DOM JUAN, Spanish steamer, 654; R. Beltran, 1st April—Manila and April; General—Brundage & Co.

DRON, Norwegian steamer, 2,180; H. Hansen, 1st March—Saigon 26th March; Rice—Widener & Co.

ENZOLO, British steamer, 1,181; R. Farquhar, 4th April—Saigon 30th March; Rice—Gibb Livingston & Co.

FRANCO, Italian steamer, 3,403; L. Baccarini, 3rd April—Somalia, and Singapore 27th March; General—Carlovoz & Co.

GIBRAN, British steamer, 1,016; R. Farquhar, 4th April—Calcutta 20th March; Penang 26th, and Singapore 26th, Opium and General—Gibb Livingston & Co.

GOVINDARAJ, British steamer, 1,016; R. Farquhar, 4th April—Calcutta 20th March; Penang 26th, and Singapore 26th, Opium and General—Gibb Livingston & Co.

HAI-PHONG, French steamer, 874; Faure, 4th April—Hai-phong and April; General—Messageries Maritimes.

MONTANEZ, Spanish steamer, 322; Valentia, Vigo, 16th March—Manila 11th March, Ballast—Order.

MORMANIA, British steam-yacht, 281; R. Humphries, 4th April—from Shimoneski—Owens.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 1,016; A. Stoopanoff, 1st April—Hongkong for Salween—Mr. G. Kek Hui—For Singapore—Mr. Charlie Tin—For Colonia—Misses E. Larson, V. Ia, Carleton R. Fredericksen, Runstrom, Swanson, M. A. Wild, Messrs. J. F. Fredericksen, Fred Gustav, Beda Blohm, and Hobson—For Batavia—Mr. S. Y. Choi, Vook Chai—For Macassar—Miss E. A. Lloyd, Mrs. F. P. Fletcher, and Mr. Buyers & family, from Standard for Singapore—Mr. K. W. Banks—For Aden—Mr. E. Puntar. For Port Said—1 Chinese. For Marseilles—Mr. and Mrs. T. W. K. Golston and infant, Mrs. C. T. Elton, Miss Bryant and A. children, Miss Byron, Messrs. Turner and J. Turner, Dr. Scapigliotti, and Weatherston. From Yokohama for Saigon—Mr. Henry, For Marseilles—Mr. and Mrs. Revillard and infant, Messrs. Armano, Comillart, and E. Hoenthal. From Kobe for Singapore—1 Japanese.

REPORTS.

The British steamship *Chow-sa* reports that she left Bangkok on the 28th ultimo, and Kien-chang on the 29th. Experienced light variable winds, and calms with very fine weather. Gulf of Siam. From Capella to lat. 17° north and long. 111° 6 east, had strong head wind increasing to a gale on the 3rd instant, with high cross sea, and heavy rain. From the 4th to arrival had moderate headwind and fine weather. Arrived here this morning at 3:35 a.m. Time of passage 7 days, 4 hours and 25 minutes.

NOTES.

For Swatow—Per *Sang Hong* tomorrow, the 7th instant, at 11:30 A.M.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.